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# FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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## FIRST GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

RAD REFERRAL: 99NF-10

DATE ACTIVATED: May 28, 1999

STAFF MEMBER: Mark Shonkwiler

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SOURCE:

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RESPONDENTS:

Colorado Republican Federal Campaign Committee

and John C. Givens, as treasurer

**RELEVANT STATUTES:** 

2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(4)(A)(iii)

11 CFR § 104.5(c)(1)(iii)(A)

INTERNAL REPORTS CHECKED:

Disclosure Reports

Referral Material

FEDERAL AGENCIES CHECKED:

None

#### I. **GENERATION OF MATTER**

The Office of the General Counsel received a referral from the Reports Analysis Division ("RAD") on April 29, 1999. The basis of the referral is the failure of the Colorado Republican Federal Campaign Committee and John C. Givens, as treasurer, to timely file its 1998 30-Day Post-General Report.

### II. FACTUAL AND LEGAL ANALYSIS

Based on the Factual and Legal Analysis, see Attachment 1, this Office recommends the Commission find reason to believe the respondents violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(4)(A)(iii).

# III. DISCUSSION OF CONCILIATION AND CIVIL PENALTY

This Office also recommends that the Commission offer to enter into conciliation with the respondents prior to a finding of probable cause to believe. Attached for the Commission's approval is a proposed conciliation agreement

# IV. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. Open a MUR.
- 2. Find reason to believe the Colorado Republican Federal Campaign Committee and John C. Givens, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. §434(a)(4)(A)(iii), and enter into conciliation prior to a finding of probable cause to believe.
- 3. Approve the attached Factual and Legal Analysis and conciliation agreement, and the appropriate letter.

Lawrence M. Noble General Counsel

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### Attachments:

- 1. Factual and Legal Analysis
- 2. Proposed agreement